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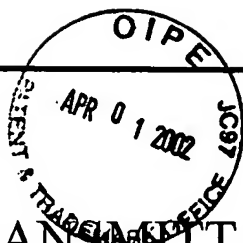
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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby makes of record the patents and publications listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the patents and publications are enclosed.

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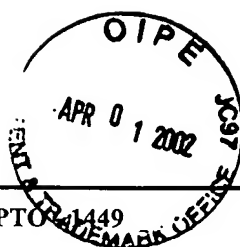
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	A3	5,341,228	08/23/94	Parker <i>et al.</i>	358	534	12/03/91
	A4	5,438,431	08/01/95	Ostromoukhov	358	457	05/20/93
	A5	5,477,305	12/19/95	Parker <i>et al.</i>	358	456	11/22/94
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	A8	5,677,093	10/14/97	Delabastita <i>et al.</i>	430	30	03/20/96
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